<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicants submit this Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 and

M.P.E.P. § 714.16. Applicants submit that amendments set forth herein relate to formal matters,

and require no substantial amount of additional work.

Applicants have amended specification to indicate that this application is a U.S. National

Phase Application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT Application No. PCT/US98/05174 filed March

17, 1998, which claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/820,013 filed March

18, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,872,426.

Applicants have amended claims 40-41 to properly depend from claim 33 instead of

claim 38 which was previously cancelled. No new matter, nor any substantive change to the

scope of the claims, has been introduced by these amendments.

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